

January 2005 Marine Mammal and Turtle Incidental Take Report

Observers in the Northeast Fisheries Observer Program (NEFOP) collect these data using standardized protocols. When the data are received, NEFSC staff verifies the identification and condition of the animals through the observer descriptions, biological samples collected and photographs. If the identification of an animal is in question, the DNA sample is analyzed to determine the species. However, the data used in this report is obtained from the observer program's OBSCON tables and is considered preliminary data as many of the database checks and audits have not yet been completed.

The following observed trips were completed during the month of January, 2005: 92 Anchored Sink Gillnet, 25 Drift Sink Gillnet, 138 Bottom Otter Trawl (fish), 4 Bottom Otter Trawl (scallop), 6 Bottom Otter Trawl (shrimp), 11 Mid-water Paired Otter Trawl, 2 Mid-water Otter Trawl, 10 Scallop Dredge, 2 Other/NK Species Dredge, 4 Hydraulic Clam Dredge, 28 Bottom Longline and 12 Closed Area Scallop. There were 9 aborted trips. The following takes were observed:

GEAR/TRIP TYPE	TRIP ID	DATE LANDED	# OF TAKES	SPECIES	DISPOSITION
BOTF 050	C93001-	1/5/2005	1	saddleback dolphin	dead, fresh
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BOTF 050	C93001-	1/5/2005	1	saddleback dolphin	dead, fresh
ASG 100	C96005L	1/11/2005	1	harbor porpoise	dead, condition unknown
BOTF 050	C99001-	1/17/2005	1	gray seal	dead, fresh

* "L" signifies a limited fish data collection trip (all hauls were observed for marine mammal interactions and fallouts); "-" signifies all other trips.

ASG = Anchored Sink Gillnet, BOTF = Bottom Otter Trawl (fish).

Errata for December 2004 - Changes in Observed Trip Counts: 177 Anchored Sink Gillnet, 22 Drift Sink Gillnet, 147 Bottom Otter Trawl (fish), 60 Bottom Longline and 2 Pot and Trap. Also 13 aborted trips, rather than 12.